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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

January 28, 2014

Vital Records and Identification for Ex-Offenders

On December 17, 2013, the Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in collaboration with the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee (CCJCC), Sheriff's Department, Probation Department, and Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, to establish a process that would provide ex-offenders with vital records, specifically birth certificates and state-issued identification. The CEO's memo dated January 14, 2014 summarizes the processes that have been developed and implemented since a taskforce was formed to address this critical issue.

The CEO's memo summarizes the inter-agency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that were executed between the Sheriff's Department and Registrar-Recorder, and the Probation Department and Registrar-Recorder, to facilitate efforts to provide birth certificates to adult and youth ex-offenders. Additionally, an MOU has been executed for adults either on felony probation or post-release community supervision but funding has not yet been identified.

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Successful implementation of a process to provide ex-offenders with vital records requires that the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) be integrated into the process. Currently, the provision of state-issued identification is a referral-only process. Engaging DMV in a collaborative, inter-agency process to facilitate the provision of identification cards to youth and adults would promote ex-offender reintegration.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Direct the Chief Executive Officer, in collaboration with the Sheriff's Department, Probation Department, and Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee (CCJCC) to pursue the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California State Department of Motor Vehicles to facilitate efforts to provide state-issued identification to youth and adult ex-offenders and report back in writing in 30 days. This report shall:

- a. Include a plan on the feasibility of co-locating DMV staff at the both jail and probation facilities to coordinate seamless processing of identification cards for ex-offenders; and
- b. Identify options to fund the costs of providing identification documents.

Direct the Chief Executive Officer, in collaboration with the Probation Department, to report back in writing in 30 days on a proposed allocation to facilitate birth certificate applications for adults supervised by the Probation Department.

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